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TITLE OF CASE

MALCOLM WILSON
FORMER GOVERNOR
NEW YORK STATE

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] TYPED b6 b7C

CHARACTER OF CASE

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ADMINISTRATIVE

On 10/4/76, AUSA [redacted] SDNY requested that the FBI determine all New York State agencies which are involved in construction, the mechanism for the letting of bids and awarding of contracts for each of these agencies, and the New York State personnel responsible for awarding final approval to construction contracts for each of the above agencies. In light of the specific allegation in this matter, i.e., that former New York State Governor MALCOLM WILSON received kickbacks for WILSON's aid in awarding Urban Development Corporation contracts to certain (as yet unidentified) architectural firms, and in light of the uncertain jurisdiction of the FBI regarding this matter (as indicated in the text of the FD-302, dated 8/10/76,

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED ☐ NONE						ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	PRETRIAL DIVERSION	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☐ YES ☒ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO

APPROVED [redacted] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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regarding the interview of WILLIAM DAVIS, Assistant Regional Administrator for Community Planning and Development, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, New York, which interview indicates that Federal funds do not finance the construction of UDC residential housing projects), it is felt that investigative action, based upon AUSA [redacted] request, would be imprudent.

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This matter will be discussed with the United States Attorney's office, SDNY, by [redacted] Supervisor, New York Office, FBI.

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Supervisor, NYO, will discuss this matter with United States Attorney's office, SDNY.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - USA, SDNY (Attention: AUSA [redacted] b6 b7C

Report of: [redacted]
Date: OCT 1976

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Title: MALCOLM WILSON
FORMER GOVERNOR
NEW YORK STATE

Character: FRAUD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT

Synopsis:

AUSA, SDNY requested preliminary investigation of the New York State Urban Development Corporation (UDC) based upon allegation that former NYS Governor MALCOLM WILSON received kickbacks in return for awarding UDC contracts to unidentified architectural firms. Background information regarding UDC staffing and funding ascertained.

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DETAILS:

Investigation in this matter is predicated upon receipt of information on August 3, 1976, from Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) [redacted] Southern District of New York (SDNY) indicating a possible violation of Title 18, United States Code (USC), Sections 278, 371 and 1001. b6 b7C

On August 3, 1976, AUSA [redacted] SDNY, furnished the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation with information provided to the SDNY by [redacted] AUSA [redacted] refused to divulge the identity of [redacted] who provided the reference information to the SDNY.

The referenced information concerns a conversation between [redacted] possibly [redacted] During the conversation, [redacted] as yet unidentified [redacted] allegedly stated that he had knowledge of kickbacks received by

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Buffalo - Niagra Region

Autobon - Area 2A
Lasburg/Creek Lend Heights
Welsville/Hillside Homes

Rochester Region

Rochester/Ibero-American

Central New York Region

Lysander/First Stage

Southern Tier Region

Hornell/Maple Court
Elmira, Easter Gate Homes
Painted Post/Village Square Apartments

Southern Region

Haverstraw/Cosgrove Avenue
Middletown/Pilgrim Woods

In addition to the above numerous non-residential construction starts were undertaken during calendar year 1973.

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of commerce and industry, the financial community, and the construction and housing industries.

The corporation shall establish one or more Community Advisory Committees to consider and advise the corporation upon matters submitted to them by the corporation concerning the development of any area or project. These members of the Community Advisory Committees serve at the pleasure of the corporation.

During the period 1973 - 1974, the following persons served on the NYS UDC Board of Directors: b6 b7C

[redacted]

[redacted] until resigning [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

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[redacted]
Commissioner of Commerce

[redacted]
Superintendent of Banks

[redacted]
Superintendent of Insurance

[redacted]
Director
Office of Planning Services

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During 1973 - 1974, the following persons served on the UDC Senior Staff at the UDC Central Office: b6 b7C

[redacted]
President and Chief Executive Officer

[redacted]
Executive Vice President

[redacted]
General Manager/Acting Director
New York City Region

[redacted]
General Council

[redacted]
Director of Finance and Treasurer

[redacted]
Director of Program Development b6 b7C

[redacted]
Director of Design Construction

[redacted]
Director of Economics and Housing Finance

[redacted]
Director of Housing Management and Regulation

[redacted]
Corporate Finance Officer and Assistant Treasurer

[redacted]
Affirmative Action Officer/General Manager
Harlem Urban Development Corporation

[redacted]
Director of Fiscal Planning and Budget

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Director of Commercial Development

[redacted]
Chief of Architecture/Chief of Architecture and Design, Roosevelt Island Development Corporation

[redacted]
Director of Real Estate Transactions

[redacted]
Director of Public Affairs

[redacted]
Director of Auditing

[redacted] b6 b7C
Director of Civic Development

[redacted]
Director of Industrial Development

[redacted]
Controller

[redacted]
Director of Commercial Market and Financial Evaluation

During calendar year 1973, the following residential construction starts were undertaken:

New York City Region

Brooklyn [redacted]
Brooklyn/Schermerhorn-Pacific
Manhattan/East 106th Street and Fifth Avenue
Manhattan/UPACA, Site 7

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former New York State Governor MALCOLM WILSON in return for WILSON's aid in awarding Urban Development Corporation (UDC) contracts to certain unknown architectural firms.

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AUSA [redacted] advised that there were no further details concerning the allegation against WILSON.

On August 4 and August 5, 1976, the following information was obtained from public source material contained in the New York City Public Library:

The UDC is a New York State (NYS) chartered corporation which promotes construction of low income (rent subsidized) housing and limited commercial facilities. The main offices of the NYS UDC are located at 1345 Sixth Avenue, New York, New York.

The UDC is composed of nine Directors as follows:

The NYS Commissioner of Commerce
The NYS Superintendent of Banks
The NYS Superintendent of Insurance
The NYS Director of the Office of Planning Services
Five Directors appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the NYS Senate.

Compensation for appointed Directors is designated as $100.00 per diem, total yearly compensation not to exceed $5,000.00. The Governor shall designate one of his appointees as Chairman of the UDC. The Chairman also serves as Chairman of the Corporation for Urban Development and Research of New York and the Urban Development Guarantee Fund of New York.

The Governor appoints a Business Advisory Council to advise the corporation with respect to development of policies and programs, and to encourage maximum participation in projects of the corporation by the private sector of the economy, including members of the Council and firms and corporations with which they are affiliated.

The Council consists of not more than 25 members, serving at the pleasure of the Governor, who are representatives